IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE V.RAMKUMAR

THURSDAY, THE 23RD NOVEMBER 2006 / 2ND AGRAHAYANA 1928

Bail Appl..No. 6551 of 2006()

CMP.5970/2006 of ADDL.C.J.M., ERNAKULAM

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PETITIONERS/ACCUSED

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1. PRASANTHA KUMAR BISWAL,
   AGED 28 YEARS, S/O.MUKUND CHANDRA BISWA,
   SOGAL JAINABAD VILLAGE, BAHARANA POST,
   JAJAT SINGHPUR, ORISSA.

2. UMESH CHANDRAN SWAIN,
   AGED 27 YEARS, ADHANGE VILLAGE,
   BHAGABANPUR P.O., KENDRA PARA DIST.,
   ORISSA.

BY ADV. SRI.M.J.SANTHOSH

RESPONDENTS: COMPLAINANT

STATE OF KERALA,
REP. BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT OF KERALA, ERNAKULAM.

BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR SRI. JAI GEORGE

THIS BAIL APPLICATION HAVING BEEN FINALLY HEARD ON 22/11/2006, ALONG WITH BA NO. 6601 OF 2006 THE COURT ON 23-11-2006 PASSED THE FOLLOWING:

V. RAMKUMAR, J.

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B.A. NOs. 6551/06 & 6601/06

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Dated, this the 23rd day of November 2006

ORDER

In B.A. 6651/06 accused Nos. 2 and 3 and in B.A. 6601/06, the 4th accused in Crime No. 433/06 of Ernakulam Town South Police Station, seek bail. The petitioners were arrested on 15-10-2006. The said crime has been registered for offences punishable under Sections 406, 420, 468, 471, 472, 479, 120 B read with Sec. 34 I.P.C.

2. The learned Public Prosecutor opposed the application and submitted the case diary files for perusal.

3. The case of the prosecution is that the accused persons who belong to Orissa had duped around 13 banks including the complainant namely State Bank of India, Kochi to the tune of more than one crore by producing 128 forged credit cards, forged identity cards, salary certificates etc. The first accused had opened an office in Poonithura Village and was travelling in a car with revolving red beacon light and posing himself to be a high official in the Ministry of Health, Government of India. They were found in possession of bank seals and other forged seals of Director General of Medical Education and Training, Ministry of Health, New Delhi, Deputy Director

of Central Health Education and Training Research Development Unit , Chief Inspector General, Central Health Education and Training Research Development Unit, Cochin, Office of CMOCHERT, Bangalore. The records already seized by the police reveal that the accused persons acting under a perfect understanding had committed similar offences in Baroda and other parts of Gujarat and Delhi. The Investigating Agency is probing into the ramifications of the racket. At this stage of investigation, if the petitioners are released on bail , they will definitely flee from justice. The addresses given by the accused to various banks and other institutions were false. The actual address and identity of the culprits are yet to be verified by the investigating agency from places such as Orissa, Gujrat and Delhi. Such being the position, I am not inclined to grant bail to the petitioners.

These bail applications are, accordingly, dismissed.

V. RAMKUMAR,
(JUDGE)

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